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Referred to Committee on Transportation

Introduced by:
(TRA)

***AN ACT EXTENDING THE EXEMPTION FROM EMISSIONS
INSPECTION FOR NEW VEHICLES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 14-164c of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
3 *passage*):

4 (c) The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with
5 chapter 54, to implement the provisions of this section. Such
6 regulations shall include provision for a periodic inspection of air
7 pollution control equipment and compliance with or waiver of exhaust
8 emission standards or compliance with or waiver of on-board
9 diagnostic standards or other standards defined by the Commissioner
10 of Environmental Protection and approved by the Administrator of the
11 United States Environmental Protection Agency, compliance with or
12 waiver of, air pollution control system integrity standards defined by
13 the Commissioner of Environmental Protection and compliance with
14 or waiver of purge system standards defined by the Commissioner of
15 Environmental Protection. Such regulations may provide for an
16 inspection procedure using an on-board diagnostic information system

17 for all 1996 model year and newer motor vehicles. Such regulations
18 shall apply to all motor vehicles registered or which will be registered
19 in this state except: (1) Vehicles having a gross weight of more than ten
20 thousand pounds; (2) vehicles powered by electricity; (3) bicycles with
21 motors attached; (4) motorcycles; (5) vehicles operating with a
22 temporary registration; (6) vehicles manufactured twenty-five or more
23 years ago; (7) new vehicles at the time of initial registration; (8)
24 vehicles registered but not designed primarily for highway use; (9)
25 farm vehicles, as defined in subsection (q) of section 14-49; (10) diesel-
26 powered type II school buses; (11) a vehicle operated by a licensed
27 dealer or repairer either to or from a location of the purchase or sale of
28 such vehicle or for the purpose of obtaining an official emissions or
29 safety inspection; or (12) vehicles that have met the inspection
30 requirements of section 14-103a and are registered by the
31 commissioner as composite vehicles. On and after July 1, [2002] 2011,
32 such regulations shall exempt from the periodic inspection
33 requirement any vehicle [four] five or less model years of age,
34 beginning with model year [2003] 2012 and the previous [three] four
35 model years, provided that such exemption shall lapse upon a finding
36 by the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection
37 Agency or by the Secretary of the United States Department of
38 Transportation that such exemption causes the state to violate
39 applicable federal environmental or transportation planning
40 requirements. Notwithstanding any provisions of this subsection, the
41 commissioner may require an initial emissions inspection and
42 compliance or waiver prior to registration of a new motor vehicle. If
43 the Commissioner of Environmental Protection finds that it is
44 necessary to inspect motor vehicles which are exempt under
45 subdivision (1) or (4) of this subsection, or motor vehicles that are
46 [four] five or less model years of age in order to achieve compliance
47 with federal law concerning emission reduction requirements, the
48 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may adopt regulations, in accordance
49 with the provisions of chapter 54, to require the inspection of
50 motorcycles, designated motor vehicles having a gross weight of more

51 than ten thousand pounds or motor vehicles [four] five or less model
52 years of age.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	14-164c(c)
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Statement of Purpose:

To exempt a motor vehicle that is five or fewer model years of age from emissions inspection.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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